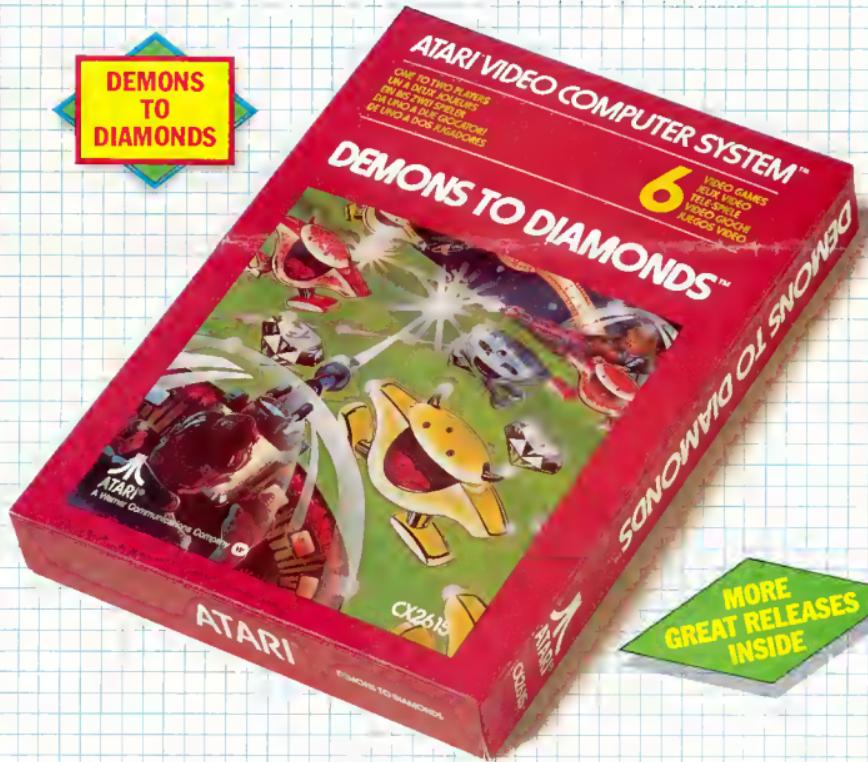




VCS OWNERS CLUB BULLETIN

FANTASTIC CARTRIDGES NEW FROM ATARI

DEMONS
TO
DIAMONDS



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NEW CARTRIDGE RELEASES

Three terrific new Atari VCS cartridges arrive in the UK in October and as always you are the first to know about them.



BERZERK™

In Berzerk a courageous humanoid dodges through a series of electric mazes shooting at evilly programmed robots before they zap him. Out of nowhere appears grinning bounding Evil Otto, the mad and evil mind behind the robot gangs, who loves to squash careless humanoids.

Suggested retail: £29.95 inc. VAT

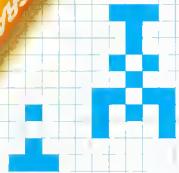
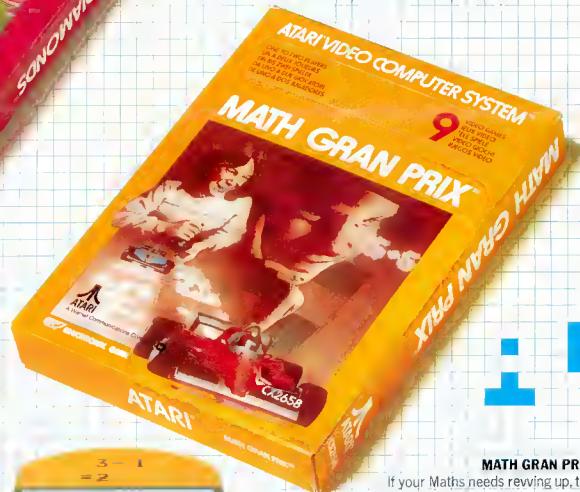
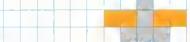
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DEMONS TO DIAMONDS

This exciting new cartridge can be played by one or two players with paddle controllers. You're in the Demon Shooting Gallery where the targets disappear, change form and sometimes shoot back. Hit a demon of your own colour and it transforms into a pulsating diamond - score bonus points by hitting the diamond before it disappears. Hit a different coloured demon and it will turn into a grim stone skull that shoots at you.

Suggested retail: £18.95 inc. VAT



MATH GRAN PRIX

If your Maths needs revving up, try Math Gran Prix. Race round the track by solving Maths problems.

But watch out for the track markers – even a maths genius can be left in the dust. An educational/racing game for children aged 6-8.

Suggested retail: £14.95 inc. VAT



THE ATARI UK PAC-MAN CHAMPIONSHIP NATIONAL FINALS

BARBICAN CENTRE 31 AUGUST 1982



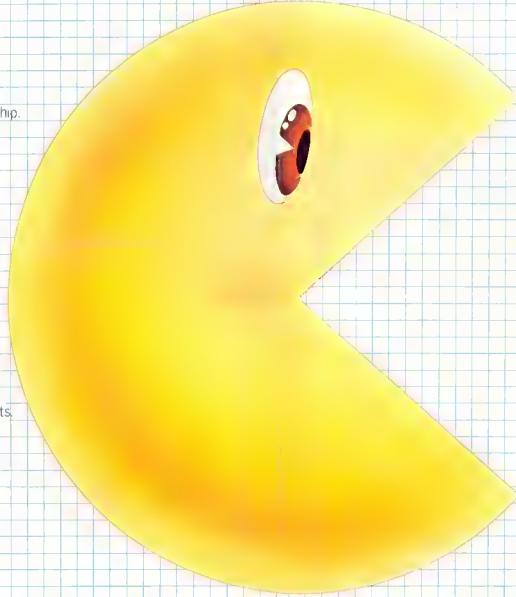
Phil Allen, Capital Radio Disc Jockey introduces the UK Pac-Man Championship.



Compere, Phil Allen,
from Capital Radio and BBC TV personality
John Craven desperately battling against the ghosts.



Over 25 final play-off, from left to right:
Clive Wilson from Guildford, Sydney Trager from Glasgow,
Trevor Yardley from Nuneaton and Hazel Williams from Sunbridge.
Phil Allen, the compere, looks on.



UNDER-25

CHAMPION - CRAIG HEAP - 14,174
RUNNER UP - DAVID BOYES - 13,407
THIRD - ANDREW BRZEZINSKI - 12,139

OVER-25

CHAMPION - TREVOR YARDLEY - 11,397
RUNNER UP - OLIVE WILSON - 8,383
THIRD - SYDNEY TRAGER - 7,837



Under-25 Pac-Man Champ, Craig Heap,
receiving his ticket to Florida
from BBC TV personality John Craven and Pac-Man.



Over-25 Pac-Man Champ - Trevor Yardley
receiving his prize from BBC TV personality John Craven and Pac-Man.



THE UK PAC-MAN® CHAMPIONSHIP REGIONAL FINALS

July and August were very busy and exciting months for Captain Atari and his team travelling round the UK for the regional finals of the UK Pac-Man Championship. It was great to see so many Atarians and Pac-Man freaks – thanks for your support!

The Regional Championship was divided into four areas – North, South, Midlands and Scotland – with two finalists from each area in the over and under 25 age categories going through to the National Finals at the Barbican. Everyone competing in the regionals received a Pac-Man T-shirt and the top 32 scorers won the fascinating new Yar's Revenge cartridge. Pac-Man and Speedy,

the ghost, arrived at each venue to hand out Pac-Pens and Pac-Man Fever records and generally add to the fun.

First stop was the Albany Hotel in Birmingham on 25 July for the Midlands final where over 250 keen Pac-Man players gobbled ghosts all day long. Top scorers in the under 25 age group were Tony Monaghan (16) from Handsworth with 11,796 and Tony Eaton (17) from Penkridge with 10,969. Qualifying for the over 25 category were Trevor Yardley from Nuneaton and Tony Gray from Redditch.

A week later on 1 August it was the turn of the North of England to show their joystick skills at the

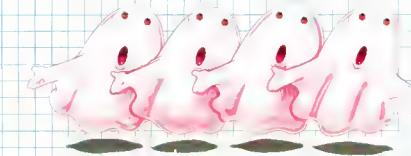
Hotel Majestic in Harrogate. David Boyes (17) from York and Craig Heap (16) from Radcliffe qualified for the National Finals with staggering scores of 13,452 and 13,226 a piece. Top scorers in the over 25 category were Patricia Buckley from Doncaster and Bill Halsall from Wigan.

Bonny Scotland was next with the Scottish Regional Finals being held at the Central Hotel in Glasgow on 8 August. Our youngest finalists qualified here – Stuart Murray from Potterton with 11,849 and John Taylor from Paisley with 10,848 – both aged 13. Unfortunately John was on holiday for the National Finals, so Gary Fleming, also 13, from Bathgate with 10,792 went in his place.

Sydney Trager and Ashley Broadbent were our over 25 finalists.

The last regional final was in London on 15 August for contestants from the South. Over 350 finalists competed at the Royal Garden Hotel, Kensington. Andrew Brzezinski (18) from Greenford was the top scorer with 10,616 closely followed by Copilia Yau (14) from Cambridge with 10,490. The over 25 contest was won by Clive Wilson from Guildford and Hazel Williams from Sunbridge in Kent.

Next stop... Barbican Centre!!! And then Monte Carlo for the two top scorers.



BIRMINGHAM

A surprise appearance from Pac-Man delights the young audience



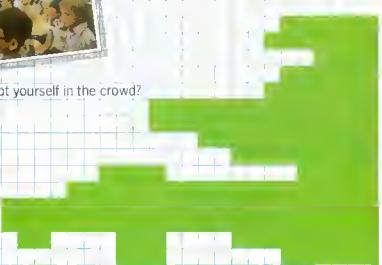
Can you spot yourself in the crowd?



After the contest – a chance to play some of Atari's other games



HARROGATE
Northern winners with Pac-Man and Speedy
and Tad Chase from Atari Control.
Craig Heap, David Boyes and Gregory Giddins



Pac-Man and Speedy help Basil Towers from Atari Control with the raffle



A runner-up receiving a Yar's Revenge cartridge from Tad Chase



SCOTLAND

Scottish winners Stuart Murray,
Gary Fleming and John Taylor



LONDON

Southern winners with Pac-Man and Speedy
and Tad Chase from Atari Control!
Rodney Johnson, Copilia Yau
and Andrew Brzezinski

ATARI CONTROL

HI THERE ATARIANS!

A lot of changes have been taking place at Atari Control since Atari International (UK) Inc. took over the marketing and sales functions in the UK and Eire.

We've a whole new team to answer your queries at Atari Control. This issue we'd like you to meet Louise East, Assistant Club Manager, who is waiting to hear from you.

Her address is:
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Middlesex



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TO THE RETAILER:

This voucher has been sent to a registered Atari Owners Club member for redemption against Atari's latest cartridge, Berzerk. Please stamp the voucher with your company stamp and send it to Atari International (UK) Inc. with a debit note and we will credit your account.

THE FABULOUS BERZERK CARTRIDGE

As a special offer to VCS Club members we are offering a £1 off the fabulous Berzerk cartridge. Just take this voucher to your local Atari dealer before 31 October and you can go Berzerk for £28.95 instead of £29.95!



Pac-Man gobbled his way to a new record when Stephen Foot from Puckeridge in Hertfordshire scored 6,128,619 points before his mother told him to stop – and he still had nine lives!

Playing game 3, difficulty B, Stephen began at 3.30 pm on Sunday 29 August and finished at 9.30 pm on Tuesday. He did however sleep in between; apparently Stephen has found a way of suspending the game without wiping off his score.

Stephen, who came fourth in the Southern Regional Championships held in London on 15 August, also plays with his feet. His mother says he's mad about Atari video games, but is glad they keep him occupied.

If you have any other interesting ways of playing Atari or can beat Stephen's score, please write to Louise East. £5 for each letter published in the VCS Bulletin.

A WORD OF WARNING

Some of you may be going to America and seeing Atari cartridges that are not being sold in the UK yet. Beware – the cartridges and VCS bought in the States do not work in the UK because our television system (PAL) is different to that of the USA. Hang on – the cartridges arrive in the UK very quickly.

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